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Clinical Research Information System
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CRIS—the Clinical Research Information System—is an NIH project that will tie together and support patient care, research and management at the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center and the Mark O. Hatfield Clinical Research Center now under construction.

A July 31, 2004, implementation is for the core component of CRIS, which covers the system's patient-care aspects.

CRIS: 301-594-DCRI
cris.cc.nih.gov

For more information on training requirements and scheduling, call (301) 435-5077.

CRIS training

Intensive training sessions on CRIS are planned June 14-July 27. You must complete this training before you will receive a log-in code for CRIS.

All training sessions will be instructor led and include online tutorials, hands-on practice, and a post-training assessment. Fifty training stations are available in three classrooms within the Department of Clinical Research Informatics, CRIS training headquarters. Some weekend and evening classes will be offered.

CRIS Practice Lab

The CRIS Practice Lab opens April 7. Stop by before your CRIS training for a general orientation to CRIS. After training, visit the lab to keep your skills fresh with guided hands-on practice and individualized instruction on the new system. Look for the blue curtain near the CRC exhibit across from the admissions desk. Hours: Tuesdays, 10 am-6 pm; Wednesdays, 6 am-2 pm; and Thursdays, 8 am-4 pm.

The classes

Your job determines the classes you must take. Most nurses, for example, will need to complete three: Introduction to CRIS, Order Entry for Non-Prescribers, and Clinical Documentation with Medication Charting. Training for prescribers will be consolidated within one class.

•Introduction to CRIS (2 hours)
Required for all staff except prescribers
This covers the basics, including orientation to the application screens; how to find patients and patient information; and how to review results, orders and clinical documentation.

•Prescriber Training (3 hours)
Required for physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurse anesthetists, dentists
This course covers the basics of CRIS, along with how to enter orders, act on orders, sign and verify orders, perform basic documentation, and print reports.

•Order Entry for Non-Prescribers (3 hours)
Required for affiliate staff and ancillary staff who provide clinical care
This class covers how non-prescribers enter, modify, sigh, verify, cancel, discontinue, hold, and suspend orders.

•Clinical Documentation and Medication Charting (2 hours)
Required for nursing and other affiliate and ancillary staff who document clinical information in CRIS.
This course covers how to enter, modify, and review clinical documentation; and how to view and document against medication and IV orders using a computerized medication administration worklist.

How to register

Clinical Center staff will register for training through their managers. Managers will receive a list of their staff members with training requirements noted and a schedule of available classes.

Institute staff: Call to confirm training requirements and register for classes: (301) 435-5077.